

PARK COMMISSION'S PLANS INDORSED

Board of Trade Passes
Highly Complimentary
Resolution.

SENATOR McMILLAN PRAISED

Capt. J. P. Walker Makes Bitter Attack on the Proposition, Which He Terms "Scheme for Spending Thousands of Millions for Estheticism."

Senator McMillan, chairman of the Senate Committee on the House of Representatives, was eulogized, the Park Commission plans both lauded and criticized, and considerable diversity of opinion concerning local affairs in general manifested at a called meeting of the Board of Trade, held last night at Masonic Temple.

Capt. J. P. Walker, speaking to a resolution urging Congress to adopt the Park Commission's plans, made a bitter attack upon the proposed idea for the beautification of Washington, claiming the plans as a "scheme for spending thousands of millions for estheticism." His remarks were not received warmly by the remaining members of the board, the majority of the others supporting the commission's plans, and expressing their eagerness for the work to be carried out.

The interjection of the question of Washington's physical improvement into the proceedings was the cause of lengthy discussion. The resolution which caused it, and which was adopted, was brought in by a subcommittee. It follows:

"Resolved, That the Committee on Parks and Reservations, having implicit confidence in the high character, eminent ability, skill, and ripe judgment of the distinguished architects, sculptors, and landscape architects who form the Park Commission appointed by the United States Senate Committee on the District of Columbia, recommends to the Board of Trade that it shall urge upon Congress the adoption of the magnificent plan presented by the Park Commission for the development of the park system of the District of Columbia."

Judge Bundy declared it his belief that the Board of Trade would make a great mistake in failing to support the plan for the beautification of Washington.

Senator McMillan Lauded.

"The Park Commission's plans did not spring from nothing," asserted Gen. George H. Harries, entering the general discussion, "but was originated by one man, a man who has always done his best for the District of Columbia, who has never failed to advance our interests, and than whom we have never had a better friend—Hon. James McMillan."

"It is not, and has never been, the intention to place any additional burden upon the District of Columbia. The fulfillment of the plans made by the Park Commission will come gradually, but not all at once. When Congress wants a new

building, a Department of Justice, a home for various departments now existing, or to be created in the future, a municipal building for the District of Columbia, and others, Congress will go to the plans, and it will put that building just about where the Park Commission thought best.

"These things will come one year, ten years, hence, and when a particular building is required, Congress will pay for it. There is no intention to saddle the burden on the District of Columbia, even in the House. I don't see how the District of Columbia is going to suffer. I am as anxious as anybody that the city of Washington should not be made to pay more than its share, but I believe it should pay its portion. I don't think it should pay more than its share, but I believe it should pay its portion. I don't think it should pay more than its share, but I believe it should pay its portion."

Other tributes were paid to the chairman of the District Committee of the Senate, and a resolution of thanks to Senator McMillan was unanimously passed.

Captain Walker gave assurance of his support to the Senator, but said he was not willing to approve of every act to spend thousands of millions of dollars on a scheme of estheticism.

"Thousands of millions!" cried another member.

"Yes, sir; thousands of millions of dollars," replied Captain Walker, emphatically. "That's what this thing will cost before we are through with it."

He declared he found more beauty in green grass, trees, and flowers than in granite buildings, and he attacked strenuously the suggestion to take Lafayette Park as the site of a great Government building.

Board of Commendation Approved.

A resolution brought in by the subcommittee on charities and corrections, as follows, was adopted:

"Resolved, That this committee approves the bill for creating a board of condemnation of insanitary buildings in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, known as Senate Bill No. 5490, and that we recommend it to the Board of Trade for favorable action."

"Senator McMillan," said a statement offered as a resolution by the subcommittee on the river and harbors, "has for some time been alive to the unhealthy, unsightly, and unfortunate condition of the Anacostia River. On March 25, 1902, Senator McMillan introduced in the Senate his bill for the improvement of the Anacostia River, and the reclamation of the flats. Attached to the report was the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Board of Trade of Washington, D. C., heartily approves of the Senate amendment to the river and harbor improvement bill, introduced by Mr. McMillan, and appropriating \$150,000 to commence the improvement of the Anacostia River and the reclamation of the flats."

"Further, that the committee on river and harbor improvements be authorized and requested to do all in its power to see that said bill is included in the river and harbor appropriation bill at this session of Congress, and that each and every member of the board is requested to use such influence as he may have to bring about such a result."

Several resolutions adopted by the committee on public health on February 6 were adopted. Among them was one in regard to the establishment of public

baths in the District of Columbia, and recommending that action of the board be taken to this end.

A resolution was proposed by Dr. Hickling, approving the letter of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia relative to the medical inspection of schools. After considerable wrangling the resolution was withdrawn.

Dr. J. Gregg Custer opposed the adoption of the resolution on the ground that a quorum of the committee was not present when it was framed, and that the resolution is a most important one, which should not be passed hurriedly.

General Harries said that the Board of Education is opposed to the resolution. It was a question, he thought, whether the Board of Education would run the schools or the schools be run by any board that chose to come in and meddle.

Dr. Woodward, U. S. Health Officer of the District of Columbia, supported by Mr. M. I. Weller, called President Smith to account for his parliamentary ruling in going behind the action of a subcommittee. Dr. Woodward said that under the same ruling practically all of the reports made might be ruled. Dr. Custer supported the Chair, and a merry tangle burst into full bloom.

Henderson offered a resolution extending the thanks of the Board of Trade to Senator McMillan for his efforts for Washington, which was unanimously passed. He also wanted to introduce a substitute for the resolution on inspection of schools, and at this point, it was learned that the members had dwindled away until there was no quorum present, and the meeting adjourned after a three hours session.

Those Present.

The following were present: Corcoran, Thom, Jesse B. Wilson, Thomas W. Smith, William M. Shuster, George Field, Fred G. Coldren, Thomas P. Morgan, George I. Jones, W. Mosby Williams, Henry L. Biscoe, William C. Woodward, M. D., Gen. George H. Harries, William H. Martin, A. B. Graham, Kimon Nicolaides, B. T. Janney, Dr. D. Percy Hickling, Major Henry B. Looker, W. P. Van Winkle, William G. Henderson, Thomas J. Owen, B. W. Clark, John Miller, Josiah Millard, Capt. J. P. Walker, Allen W. Mallory, Isaac Gans, S. W. Curriden, Barry Mohun, Frank Hume, Arthur Cowles, M. I. Weller, M. M. Shand, Judge Charles S. Bundy, Gen. John Wilson, D. J. Kaufman, Dr. J. B. Gregg Custer.

GOVERNMENT IN CONTROL

Dispatch From Bogota Announces Departure of General Valencia.

The State Department received a dispatch yesterday from Mr. Beaupre, United States charge d'affaires at Bogota, Colombia, announcing the departure from that city for the isthmus of Panama, of General Valencia with 3,000 government troops.

The officials at the department say that the dispatch indicates that the government forces are once more in undisputed control of the capital.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

The battleship Indiana has arrived at Newport News, the battleship Alabama and the training ship Cincinnati at Hampton Roads, the training ship Prairie at Barbados, and the training ship Mohican at Yokohama.

The Austrian cruiser Segetar has arrived at Boston.

The Kearsarge, the Alabama, and the Massachusetts will probably go to the Brooklyn Navy Yard for repairs about May 15.

In the Philippines, the gunboats Isla de Luzon and Pinatuba have arrived at Cavite, the gunboat Puritan at Zamboanga, Minanao, and the flagship Rainbow (Rear Admiral Wilkes) and the supply ship Caesar at Catbalogan, Samar.

ANOTHER SENSATION IN HATFIELD-KING CASE

Appellants Ask for Change of Jurisdiction.

Intimated That Trial Judge Could Not Give a Fair and Impartial Hearing in the Case.

A new sensation was added yesterday to the record of the sensational case of Hatfield and Rutherford vs. King, on appeal in the Supreme Court from the circuit court for West Virginia, and pending since January 2, 1901.

The case was originally submitted to the Supreme Court on briefs, but when the justices came to consider it, the circumstances were such as to cause them to order its restoration to the docket for oral argument, with an order that the attorney general of West Virginia be notified of the presence of the appeal.

This resulted in the filing of an application at the beginning of the present term of the Supreme Court for an order disbaring the attorneys in the case upon the claim that they were in collusion to establish a fraudulent claim to a large tract of land in West Virginia.

The application to disbar was denied, but an order was made remanding the case to the circuit court, with instructions "to set aside the decree as well as the appearance of defendants, and to proceed thereafter in accordance with law, and also to make a full investigation in such manner as shall seem to it best, of the various charges of misconduct presented in the motions filed in this court, and to take such action thereon as justice may require."

Yesterday ex-Solicitor General Holmes Conrad, representing S. D. Hatfield and Nancy Rutherford, asked the Supreme Court to amend the order entered in the case so as to provide in express terms that the case shall be remanded to the circuit court for the southern district of West Virginia.

Counsel pointed out in their motion that since the case was filed in this court, the State of West Virginia had been divided into two districts; that the property involved lay in the southern district, and therefore was subject to its jurisdiction.

In the opinion of the Supreme Court remanding the case, it was said:

"It is fitting that this investigation should be had in the first place in the court where the wrong is charged to have been done and before the judge who, if the charges are correct, has been imposed upon by counsel, and it may be wise that both examination and cross-examination be had in his presence."

The judge who heard the case, counsel say, was J. J. Jackson, now judge of the new northern district for West Virginia.

Objections were made to having him conduct the investigation, "which," counsel said, "it may be indicative more fully to indicate, but which his opinion in this case and the affidavit of Mr. Fisher may perhaps render apparent to the discriminating reader."

"Appellants, through their counsel, submit the motion to have the order of this court so amended as to require that the case be remanded to the circuit court of the southern district of West Virginia, where it properly belongs, and where the district judge, sitting, it may be, with Judge Goff, will render dispassionate and sound justice."

WILL POSTPONE THE ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION

President and Directors of the St. Louis Exposition Decide Upon 1904.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 2.—President David R. Francis, of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, in a public statement given out last night, favors a postponement of the fair for one year. His views are concurred in by fifty of the directors.

Congress will be immediately advised of the wishes of the local corporation, in order that the new date, 1904, may be incorporated in the sundry civil bill, which will pass the Senate on Saturday, and which contains an appropriation of \$1,048,000 for a Government exhibit.

The recommendation of the board of managers of the St. Louis Exposition that the opening of the exposition be postponed until April 30, 1904, was transmitted to Congress yesterday by the President.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri immediately gave notice of a proposed amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill providing for the dedication on that date of the Government buildings at the exposition. The amendment further provides for the coinage of 250,000 gold dollars of appropriate design to commemorate the holding of the exposition.

These coins are to be turned over to the exposition company as part of the \$5,000,000 appropriated by the Government in aid of the exposition.

A SCIENTIFIC SEANCE.

Count Albert de Sarak Gives Exhibition at the Raleigh.

Count Albert de Sarak, grand inspector of the Supreme Esoteric Council of Tibet, gave an "experimental seance of fakirism, Oriental occultism, and telepathy," to about 150 people in the banquet hall of the Raleigh Hotel last night.

He was introduced with complimentary reference by Representative James D. Richardson of Tennessee, grand commander of the supreme council, Scottish Rite of Masonry, of which Count de Sarak is a member.

He gave a number of exhibitions of his science. He was assisted by Miss Agnes Marshand, who also acted as his interpreter. He is a native of India, and speaks English imperfectly.

Biological Society Meeting.

The 35th regular meeting of the Biological Society of Washington will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the assembly hall of the Cosmos Club, 1529 H Street northwest. Council meeting at 7:30 p. m. Communications—Brief notes, exhibition of specimens etc. (members are urged to participate); M. A. Carleton, "Notes on Wheat Hybrids of the First Generation"; W. W. Cooke, "Bird Migration Routes"; T. H. Kearney, "A Plant Which Secretes Hygroscopic Salts."

Mr. Knox Visits Mount Vernon.

Attorney General Knox laid aside the cares of the Department of Justice yesterday morning and took a pleasure trip to Mount Vernon.

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